Faculty Senate Meeting Agenda

MOORE AUDITORIUM January 19, 1983 3:45 p.m.

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Faculty Senate Minutes January 19, 1983 Moore Auditorium

Regular Session I,

The 1982-83 Faculty Senate met in regular session on Wednesday, January 819290983. at 3:45 p.m. in Moore Auditorium. Mr. Fred Kreimer, Senate President presided.

The following members were absent: John Albright, David Ammerman, Jon Bailey, Alexander Bassin, Ronald Clark, Marie Cowart, Barry Diskin, Donna Fletcher, Marc Freeman, David Geisbush, Janice Hartwell, Emily Haymes, Robert Kalin, Nell Kannwischer, Curtis Krishef, Joseph Lannutti, Winston Lo, Clyde Maurice, Doron Nof, William Outlaw, Malcolm Parsons, Mounir Ragheb, Anne Rowe, Bill Shrode, Glayde Whitney, William Young.

Alternates Robert Kromhout (Physics), Gerald O'Connor (Social Work), Herbert Reese (Educational Leadership), Elizabeth Rumph (Nursing) and George Weatherly (Oceanography) were present.

II. Approval of the Minutes

The December 8 minutes were approved as circulated with the announcement that whereever the term 'Gordon Rule' is cited, this should read "rule 6A-10.30, Other Assessment Procedures".

) III. Approval of the Agenda

The agenda was approved with the following addition: following the Steering Committee report, Mr. Kreimer will read a statement for the record.

Report of the Steering Committee, Jayne Alley IV.

> The Steering Committee continues to meet regularly to discuss issues of University importance. The primary issue of budget will be presented today by Dr. Turnbull.

Statement by Mr. Fred Kreimer ٧.

"During the past several weeks I have been quoted in news reports about budgetary problems at Florida State University and I want to make a brief statement to the Senate about these reports. It has been my policy to share with the faculty information which I receive as president of the Faculty Senate, and I have been equally candid with the press. I have discussed the history of constrained budgets for Florida State University and I have expressed the support of this faculty for the President of the University and his administrative team, as I believe you would want me to do. But one news reporter seems to use available information selectively to foment discord and disunity. I am especially angry that in this morning's edition of the Tallahassee Democrat (1/19/83) a certain opinion was attributed to me. Last night(1/18/83) I was informed about the resignation of Ilona Turrisi, Director of Budget and Analysis, by a reporter for the local newspaper. This reporter stated that he had concluded from conversations with members of the faculty that Ms. Turrisi has been a controversial figure but perhaps this controversy was inherent in her job, and he asked me to comment on his statement. I responded that criticisms which he heard may

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reflect the pain of cutting budgets and allocating scarce resources, but I did not say that Ms. Turrisi has been a controversial figure among faculty. I did state that I was saddened by this resignation because Ms. Turrisi has served this University faithfully and well, and I stand by that statement. That may be the last statement I shall make to a reporter from the Tallahassee Democrat because I will not be drawn into the divisive tactics of that newspaper. It is not the nature of this faculty to look back and to blame. We look forward to June 30, the end of this fiscal year, by which time we expect to have resolved our problems."

VI. Report on the University Budget, Gus Turnbull

Vice president Turnbull gave a detailed report on past, present and future budget issues. Explanations of past mandated budget reductions and overcommitment of funds plus unexpected revenue shortfalls resulted in what appeared to be a deficit but in actuality meant payments for 81-82 expenses were paid out the 82-83 budget allocations. President Sliger, Dr. Turnbull and university budget committees are working to correct all areas where budget procedures have not been properly implemented.

Mr. Turnbull stated that contrary to all reports there is a good working relationship with the Board of Regents staff. He referenced a letter sent to Chancellor Newell from Dr. Sliger in which these new procedures were outlined:

a. Encumbrance systems for interdepartmental purchases such as postage, printing, and departmental supplies

b. Encumbrance system for purchase of books

c. An early encumbrance system and new procedures to strengthen controls over the employment of temporary personnel

 New control procedures already in place regarding the hiring of consultants

e. Continuation of the freeze on hiring and other personnel actions that would impact the payroll.

f. Close review, monitoring, and reporting of Incidental Revenue collections by the Budget Office and the Controller's Office.

Other items in Dr. Sligers letter referred to areas where reserve funds are available for use if necessary, appointment of an ad hoc budget control committee to give advice on the status of accounts, and educational workshops to be given to all fiscal managers on proper accrual accounting procedures.

Mr. Turnbull could not at this time give exact figures on our deficit. Those figures should be available by the end of February.

Vice President Turnbull stated that an attitude difference between program administrators and auditor/accountant offices had revealed many weak points in an already overly stressed system. This difference in priorities would not be able to continue Lines of communication on procedures and program needs would be open and followed closely.

High on the list of areas for continuing concern are:

1. incidental revenue

2. June utility/telephone bills

3. contingency reserve for slippage in expenditure controls

4. urgent program needs of units

5. library book OCO (journals vs. books)

6. computer time allocations

7. accrual of computer center charges

Plans for the summer session are still being worked out. The \$1.2 million budgeted for summer through June 30 is (at this time) still available. A two week shift in the summer calendar might have eased some of the financial burden, but Mr. Turnbull stated there was never any intent to save dollars at the expense of the faculty.

Mr. Turnbull expressed his regret at the resignation of Ms. Turrisi. She worked 60-70 hours a week and many budget questions could only be answered through her years of experience. It will take time to build up a "fiscal memory." There may be some delay in responses to routine budget business but President Sliger will name an acting director as soon as possible.

VII. Response of the President of the University

President Sliger expressed his regret at Ms. Turrisi's leaving. He has assured the staff of the Office of Budget and Analysis that he will name an acting director quickly.

Mr. Sliger was dissapoointed that the BOR would not budge in its decision on the undergraduate enrollment cap for FSU.

Mr. Sliger reaffirmed the seriousness of our present budget situation. He stated letters were being sent announcing the Distinguished Professor and Outstanding Teachers Awards and that no mention of renumeration is stated in the letter. Dr. and Mrs. Sliger will give the \$5,000 which is usually taken from the general revenue account.

VIII. New Business, Tom Denmark

The following amendment to Senate action taken on March 17, 1982, was presented by Mr. Tom Denmark, chairman of the Computational Skills Committee:

Students may satisfy the University requirement in computational skills by completing MAT 1033 and one additional three hour course in the Department of Mathematics and Computer Science or in the Department of Statistics that has MAT 1033 as a prerequisite.

Mr. Martin Roeder moved to accept this amendment. Motion was seconded and passed.

IX. Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 5:10 p.m.

Janis D. Sass

Secretary to the Faculty



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